GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

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CONSERVATION OF LAKES
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has allocated funds for conservation of lakes and rivers in various parts of the country besides river Ganga; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRIMATI JAYANTHI NATARAJAN)
(a) & (b) This Ministry is implementing a Centrally Sponsored Scheme of National Lake Conservation Plan (NLCP) for conservation and management of polluted and degraded lakes in urban and semi-urban areas of the country on 70:30 cost sharing between the Central Government and the respective State Governments. Under the scheme, Ministry has sanctioned projects for conservation of 61 lakes in 14 States, at a total cost of Rs.1028.19 crore. An amount of Rs.422 crore has so far been released for these projects.
The Central Government is supplementing the efforts of the State Governments in river conservation through the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of National River Conservation Plan (NRCP). This Plan presently covers 39 rivers in 185 towns in 20 states. Under this scheme, an amount of Rs.2810 crore has been released till March, 2011 for conservation of rivers, other than Ganga.